RETURN FROM RHINE

Withdrawal of Americans to Begin in Two Weeks and Proceed Slowly.

DECISION MADE PUBLIC

Germans Want U.S. Troops to Stay, but Expense Is Considered Too Big.

BILL IS NOW \$300,000,000

Absence of Prohibition and High Value of the Dollar Lure Men to Remain.

Withdrawal of the 14,000 Americ oldiers from Germany will begin in ut two weeks. They will be brought tingent of about 500 for an indefinite period. This policy of the Administration was made public officially at

falls on Germany, and at present that country owes \$260,000,000 to the United States for their upkeep.

Final exchange of ratifications of legal status of the American Army of the treaty obligations of Germany are

was explained at the White House afternoon that the Administration is that Germany should not be bursed with the expense of maintaining 14,000 American soldiers on her content of territory longer than necessary, cially when the German people are sgling to restore the economic prosty of their country.

In interesting thing about the situation that Germany does not want the riean troops to leave. Intimations his effect have been sent to this rement in an unmistakable way. Germans like the Americans better they do the troops of France and and. They have an idea that their nee on the Rhine as a part of the of occupation is a kind of guarthat the allied troops, especially rench, will not overstep bounds, ewise France and Great Britain the American troops to remain, regard them as a piedge that the ed States has not withdrawn enform European affairs, but is ng a point of contact which can niarged in case of future diffinate that but not least the soldiers.

C. A. in Brooklyn, also was allowed thely from European affairs, but is keeping a point of contact which can be enlarged in case of future difficulty.

And last but not least the soldiers hemselves are easer to stay right where they are. They like Germany for wo chief reasons—first, because prohibition has not yet taken the joy out of ite there, and, second, the good American dollars in which the soldiers receive heir army pay are worth very neat ums in German marks at the present at each exchange. In German marks the friers and enlisted men of the Rhine rmy are getting something like bank residents' salaries. The boys never ved so well.

There will be no special movement of ransports to bring back the troops whenever an army transport happens to e in port on the other side of the water and has room to carry some troops, a ew hundred will be detailed to return. The American troops have estabshed a 100 per cent, recommendation or themselves in Europe, "said a very like Government of fleial this even with various other themselves in Europe," said a very like Government of fleial this even with various other themselves are futured in the safe in which the jewels were kept from the Hastings home. According to the authorities Olafsen carried the safe in which the givel were kept from the Hastings home during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Hastings and opened it in company with the other three men.

The District Attorney's office says that prins and elicately took the jewels who was a diamond appraiser, went to various places known of by Prinz and disposed of the jewels. The District Attorney said that besides the Hastings robbery he has obtained evidence consecution of the prins and individual plantary robbery and proposed in the grand form of the prins and proposed of the jewels. The District Attorney said that besides the Hastings robbery he has obtained evidence consecution of the prins and proposed of the jewels. The District Attorney said that besides the Hastings robbery he has obtained evidence consecution of th

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Latest Statistics of Building Operations Give America 464 Warships of 1,289,463 Tonnage, Against Mikado's 99 Fighting Craft of 528,689 Tons.

\$50,000 BURGLARY

RELATED BY GIRLS

Sands Point Home of

F. S. Hastings.

been arrested previously in connection

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Oct. 21.—Latest statistics of the naval establishments of the world's leading maritime Powers, compiled by informed officials here, indicate that the American Navy still will be established securely in second place when the building programmes now under way are completed.

According to the tabulation of fighting ships, Great Britain leads with 533 ships, Great Britain leads with 533 ships, with an aggregate tonnage of 1.860,480; the United States has 464 ships, of 1.259,463 tons, and Japan has 99, of 528,689 tons. France and Italy hold fourth and fifth positions, with fighting tonnage totalling 462,000 and 275,000 respectively.

Comparison of France and Italy 5. In light cruisers Great Britain still leads with 25, while the United States has 18, Japan 4, France 7 and Italy 5. In light cruisers Great Britaily has a total of 45, the United States none, Japan 9, France 4 and Italy 5.

The United States leads with destroyers having 203 of first line to Great Britain leads in both first and second classes. She has 64 of the first line and 59 of the second, compared with 57 and 44 on the American naval lists.

Great Britain has the only naval alreads accomparison of "hattle efficiency" was difficult, if not practically impossible. Examples cited were the so-called "su-

ENTIRE STATE UPSET BY ELECTROCUTION

Tell Grand Jury of Looting North Carolina Shocked by Refusal of Governor to Commute Sentence.

pist, for alleged intimacy with Mrs.

BRIAND DEMANDS CHAMBER'S SUPPORT

French Premier Wants Decisive Vote of Confidence on Washington Trip.

TO HAVE VOICE IN PACIFIC

Says France With Guarantees Won't Be Last to Limit

that his efforts had always been directed toward conciliation and the maintenance of friendship with the Allies, who had succeeded in bringing back France's glory after her defeat fifty years ago.

"In so far as the lifting of the military eanctions are concerned I have steadfastly refused to lift them," he declared. "I have no intention of abandoning our guarantees. Although I have confidence in the Wirth Government in Berlin, it may tumble down tomorrow, and I must not give up anything that would assure our security.

"As to the invitation to the Washington conference, I consider that France's voice must reply to that of the United States, and the day I set foot on America's shores I will feel a pride in showing how grateful France is for the aid which has been given her I consider France must be present at all the conversations there, particularly in regard to the Pacific Ocean, where France is to-day a first class Power."

Expressing regret that in a way the United States had been worked in

and France will have to pay the cost. We would have a situation approaching war, and it would only require a small incident to release war. But I have a firm conviction such an extremity will never present itself."

So favorably was the address by the Premier received by the Deputies that the consensus in parliamentary circles here to-night is that he will receive a majority of at least 100 votes, which, it was said, he will feel is ample support for him to go to the Washington conference with.

COLT INFLUENCED IN WILL, SAY SONS

onel When He Signed Instrument, Is Charge.

of New York, sons of the late Col.
Samuel Pomeroy Colt, base their effort
to break their father's will upon the
diclarations that the financier was of
unsound mire when the instrument was
executed and that he was induced to
sign it through undue influence.
This became apparent to-day when
William B. Greenough, their attorney,
filed with the Superior Court here a
statement of his clients' reasons for appealing from the decree of the Bristol
probate court admitting Col. Colt's will
to probate. The statement declares also
trait the will was executed by Colonel
Colt "under a mistake of fact," that the
lastrument was not Col. Colt's last will
and that it was not signed by him as
and for his last will.

No intimation is given as to whom
the Colts accuse of having unduly infivenced their father. The statement
asks that the decree of the probate
court be reversed that the will be declared null and void and that a citation
be ordered to issue to the Industrial
Trust Company named as executor.

Col. Colt died in Bristol August 12
and his will was admitted to probate
in Bristol September 6. On October 11
the sons filled with the Bristol court a
claim of appeal, for which to-day's
statement outlines the reasons.

Col. Colt's will was dated December
25, 1917, and its witnesses were Edward
L. Watson of Barrington, Benjamin M.
McDougall of Bristol and Edward C.
Parkhurst of this city.

Col. Colt's will left \$50,000 to Brown
University, \$10,000 to the Massachusetts
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